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Sarejevo is still without water, electricity and heating fuel. Despite repeated claims to the contrary, the aggressor's forces continue to use electricity and water services as weapons of war against the innocent civilian population of the city.

The heroic efforts of responsible parties on the ground, including United Nations officials, to repair power lines and resume water supplies to Sarajevo are consistently undermined by calculated attacks by the aggressor. No sooner do work crews make necessary repairs on damaged water and electric installations, as they did this past weekend, when attacks resume - sometimes within hours of repair - and again interrupt the flow of these essential services, as also occurred over the weekend.

This is part of a cat-and-mouse game played by Belgrade's proxies in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Karadzic, Plavsic and Koljevic consent to formal agreements, feigning commitment to diplomacy and the peaceful resolution of conflict, only in order to appear reasonable and cooperative in the eyes of the international community. Yet in fact they permit forces under their control to violate previous agreements as soon as the news of resumption of vital services to Sarajevo reaches media centres and the Geneva session of the London Conference.

This does nothing to alleviate the suffering of the people of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Instead, it makes a sad mockery of the peace process.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

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